

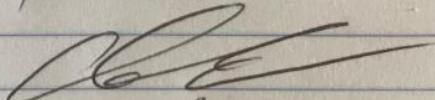
Dear Donors,

I wanted to start off by expressing my gratitude for giving my peers & myself the opportunity to experience so many different cultures while developing our knowledge regarding water treatment systems in California & Israel.

I enjoyed every part of the trip including the time spent at the Aziel College of Engineering & touring around Israel. Getting to meet & work with the Israeli students was one of the highlights of the trip. Thank you so much!

Best Regards, Alec Dachs

I cannot thank you all enough for the amazing opportunity to travel to Israel and to collaborate with the University there regarding the future of California. I have traveled the world thanks to the Navy however the opportunity I had to visit Israel was cancelled due to conflict in Yugoslavia in the mid 90's. The tours, the hotel, the food and the people were all amazing and stories I can now share with friends family and loved ones will never be forgotten just like your generosity. From the bottom of my heart I thank you!



Chad Bear

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YOU



Dear Donors,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to visit such a beautiful country in order to explore water systems. Israel was such an amazing place to be at and being of a Catholic background faith made my experience that much more exciting and personal. Being on the holy land learning about how water demands are met through intense water recycling, desalination, and advanced irrigation systems made me want to change my path post-graduation in order to aid in the water challenges in California. My life was definitely changed after visiting this amazing country and staying in Jerusalem. I am so grateful and again, THANK YOU! - Brandon Kennedy

Hello and thank you for allowing me and my fellow students to go to Israel. I had so much fun exploring the Old and New cities, Tel Aviv and the Dead Sea! It was extremely fascinating to tour the waste water treatment plant and see in person what we are learning in the classroom. Thank you again for the amazing experience.

With my sincerest gratitude,

Chase Mintham

Thank you for giving me the life-changing opportunity of allowing me to attend this trip. I am grateful to have been exposed to a new culture and a beautiful community. Seeing how all the different religions culminated together was very eye-opening. Also seeing how gorgeous Israels scenery was at Masada, the Dead Sea and Ein Gedi was truly breathtaking. I will cherish the memories from this trip forever as it has given me a new outlook on life.

With gratitude,

Diane Castellanos

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There is a vast difference between learning things in a classroom setting and actually immersing oneself in a different culture and experiencing first hand what was learned in the classroom. I believe there is a higher level of understanding and a great amount of value from experiencing and learning first hand. And this is exactly what you have provided! Thank you for providing this much higher level of education and experiences which I would have probably never had.

Going to Israel and learning about how they overcame a really serious water crisis, how resilient they have been in times of extreme oppression and opposition, and spending time in cities that were thousands of years old is truly priceless. There were many times when I found myself feeling inspired and awestruck. Without your support

This wouldn't have been possible and for that I am deeply grateful.

Thank you!

- Joe Beccaria



Dear Donors,

Thank you so much for making the Israel collaboration a reality. As a senior Mechanical Engineering student, this has been an amazing way to end my last semester of college. Being exposed to the technology and specialized equipment for analyzing water has been valuable for my education. Also, Israel's diverse culture was eye opening! I have created many new friendships thanks to this program. I really cannot thank you enough for your dedication to this course.

Sincerely,
Julia Mahroos

Thank You!

The opportunity you have given us with a trip to Israel was eye opening to the dynamic life & culture in the region. This class & trip has brought to my attention the importance Israel is and will play in the world.

I am very grateful for the knowledge, experience and people I met along the way.

-Kendric Clagett

Dear supporter,

I cannot begin to thank you enough for the opportunity you provided me and my peers with. Israel was truly an eye-opening place, and the trip will always remain a highlight in my life. Also, I learned a lot from visiting the university in Jerusalem that I'm sure will be useful far into my career. From making new friends, to trying new foods, to wandering through strange & unfamiliar city streets, Israel was everything I thought it would be and more! I think I speak for everyone who went on the trip when I say thank you! It would not have been possible without your contribution.

Best Regards,
Kyle Davis

Thank You!

From:
Matteo Hernandez

My experiences in Israel were truly perception changing! Being able to learn the rich history of the area and region was enlightening. I am grateful to have gained knowledge in my field, of cultural differences, and of myself. To develop myself spiritually, professionally, and personally is what I value most in my life. I also enjoyed being able to connect with Israelis, Palestinians, and further connect with my classmates and faculty on the trip. This was without a doubt the best and most enriching travel experience of my entire life!

Thank you for making this possible, ^{I'm very} grateful!

Thank you so much for your generosity in making the Israel trip possible. I learned so much not only about water technology, but about the people and culture of Israel - what it's really like, despite what we see on the news. I developed friendships with the Israeli students, had very enriching conversations about the conflict, and learned about myself along the way. This was the trip of a lifetime, and I could not be more grateful.

Thank you.

Mira

Thank you so much for allowing me the opportunity to go on this incredible trip to Israel. While it was awesome to see the unique cultural & religious mix in Israel, from the old city in Jerusalem to Tel Aviv, my favorite part of the experience was working with and getting to know the Israeli engineering students. I'm especially thankful for this experience because it solidified my interest in water engineering as my future career path. Having a chance to see the inner workings of the best and most innovative water systems in the world was the best possible experience I could have asked for. I will always treasure this experience!

Thanks again,
Nureya (Mimi)
Roberts

Thanks for the amazing trip!
This is my first year going to USD,
and this was a phenomenal experience!
Truly, a trip of a lifetime. To
get the opportunity to take this
trip was truly a blessing. I want
to give a huge thank you to
everyone involved that was able
to make this happen. From the
time we stepped off the plane in
Israel until we boarded to leave
was nothing but excitement. The

Ability to immerse ourselves into the
religious epicenter was quite amazing.

I never would have known Israel
to be such a beautiful place!

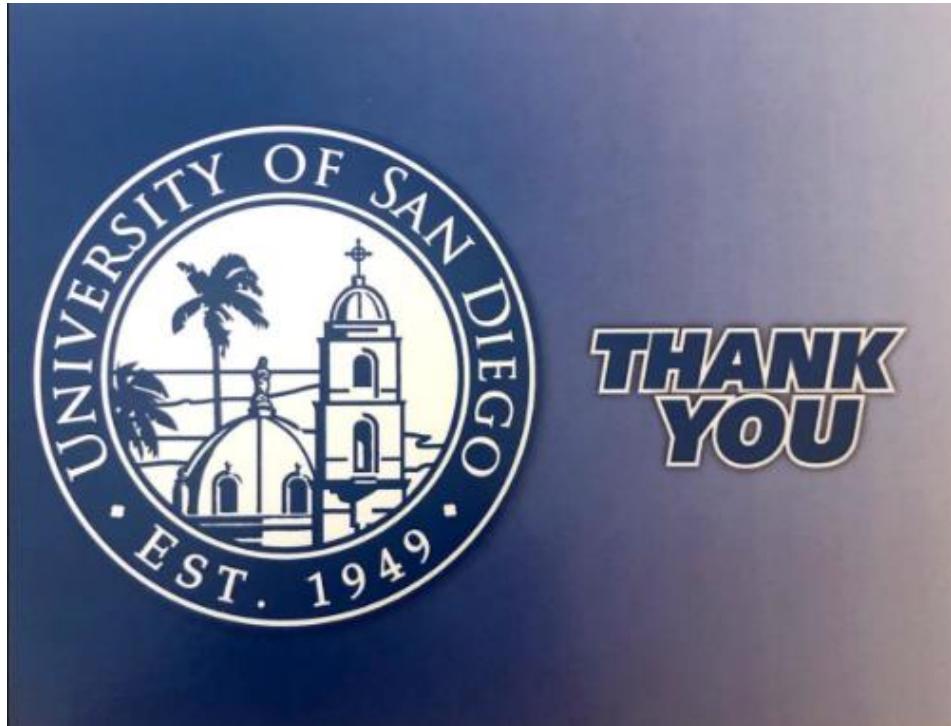
The history was fascinating, but what
surprised me more was the technology
and Israel's great future ahead!

What an amazing time! I thank you
again!

Thank you!

Very respectfully,

Mychael Meier.



Thank You!

Going to Israel has given me the opportunity to open my mind not only to new academic endeavors but also to new experiences within a wonderful culture with new friends, that otherwise never been able to experience. With your help, I have broadened my knowledge on how to contribute to a sustainable future through water technology. Thank You!

- Sabrina Smith

Thank you so much for making our studies in Israel possible! Ever since getting back, I've been raving about how **extremely** remarkable my experience was (I even chatted with the customs worker in America when we got back for a couple of minutes about how amazing Israel's water technology is).

I loved seeing the water treatment

that Israel does and mimicking

some processes in lab. It also was very interesting meeting people and seeing places that I had read about in books. It felt unreal! Beyond studies, the experience was special because of the **rich** culture & history in Israel. The vibrant presence of varying religions so evident everywhere in Jerusalem was something you can't see most places. Additionally, seeing amazing biblical landmarks was very impactful for me! Thank you again for your immense generosity!

With thanks,
Tori Klauber